

**Amendment to the Claims:**

Listing of the Claims

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claims 1 and 2 (Cancelled)

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): A rapid dissolving reinforcing filler composition for organic systems comprising an effective amount of surface-modified, aerosol doped-pyrogenerically produced oxides wherein the dopants are selected from cerium, aluminum, potassium or salts or oxides thereof, wherein the pyrogenically produced oxides are selected from the group consisting of  $\text{SiO}_2$ ,  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ ,  $\text{TiO}_2$ ,  $\text{B}_2\text{O}_3$ ,  $\text{ZrO}_2$ ,  $\text{In}_2\text{O}_3$ ,  $\text{ZnO}$ ,  $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$ ,  $\text{Nb}_2\text{O}_5$ ,  $\text{V}_2\text{O}_5$ ,  $\text{WO}_3$ ,  $\text{SnO}_2$  and  $\text{GeO}_2$ , and wherein the surface modification is a hydrophobic surface obtained by spraying the pyrogenic oxides, where the BET surface is between 40 and 217  $\text{m}^2/\text{g}$  and the dopant is homogeneously distributed within the pyrogenically produced oxide, with one or several compounds selected from the following groups:

a) Organosilanes having either formula  $(\text{RO})_3\text{Si}(\text{C}_n\text{H}_{2n+1})$  or  $(\text{RO})_3\text{Si}(\text{C}_n\text{H}_{2n-1})$ , wherein

R = alkyl, and

n = 1 – 20;

b) Organosilanes having either formula  $\text{R}'_x (\text{RO})_y \text{Si}(\text{C}_n\text{H}_{2n+1})$  or  $(\text{RO})_3\text{Si}(\text{C}_n\text{H}_{2n+1})$ ,

wherein

R = alkyl,

R' = alkyl,

R' = cycloalkyl

n = 1 – 20,

x+y = 3,

x = 1 or 2, and

y = 1 or 2;

c) Halogen organosilanes having either formula  $X_3 Si(C_nH_{2n+1})$  or  $X_3 Si(C_nH_{2n-1})$ ,

wherein

X = Cl or Br, and

n = 1 – 20;

d) Halogen organosilanes having either formula  $X_2 (R') Si(C_nH_{2n+1})$  or

$X_2 (R') Si(C_nH_{2n-1})$  , wherein

X = Cl or Br

R' = alkyl or cycloalkyl, and

n = 1 – 20;

e) Halogen organosilanes having formula  $X (R')_2 Si(C_nH_{2n+1})$  or

$X (R')_2 Si(C_nH_{2n-1})$  , wherein

X = Cl or Br;

R' = alkyl or cycloalkyl, and

n = 1 – 20;

f) Organosilanes having the formula  $(\text{RO})_3\text{Si}(\text{CH}_2)_m\text{-R}'$

R = alkyl,

m = 0 or 1-20, and

R' = methyl-, aryl-,  $-\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$ , substituted phenyl groups,

$-\text{C}_4\text{F}_9$ ,  $\text{OCF}_2\text{-CHF-CF}_3$ ,  $-\text{C}_6\text{F}_{13}$ ,  $-\text{O-CF}_2\text{-CHF}_2$ ,

$-\text{NH}_2$ ,  $=\text{N}_3$ ,  $-\text{SCN}$ ,  $-\text{CH=CH}_2$ ,  $-\text{NH-CH}_2\text{-CH}_2\text{-NH}_2$ ,

$-\text{N-(CH}_2\text{-CH}_2\text{-CH}_2\text{NH}_2)_2$ ,

$-\text{OOC(CH}_3\text{)C=CH}_2$ ,

$-\text{OCH}_2\text{-CH(O)CH}_2$ ,

$-\text{NH-CO-N-CO-(CH}_2\text{)}_5$ ,

$-\text{NH-COO-CH}_3$ ,  $-\text{NH-COO-CH}_2\text{-CH}_3$ ,  $-\text{NH-(CH}_2\text{)}_3\text{Si(OR)}_3$ ,

$-\text{SH}$  or

$-\text{NR}'\text{R}''\text{R}'''$ , wherein R' = alkyl, or aryl; R'' = H, alkyl, aryl; and R''' = H, alkyl, aryl,

benzyl, or  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{N(R}''''\text{)}_2$ , wherein R'''' = H, or alkyl;

g) Organosilanes having the formula  $(\text{R}'')_x(\text{RO})_y\text{Si}(\text{CH}_2)_m\text{-R}'$ , wherein

R'' = alkyl or cycloalkyl,

x+y = 2,

x = 1 or 2,

$y = 1$  or  $2$ ,

$m = 0$  or  $1$  to  $20$ , and

$R' =$  methyl-, aryl,  $-C_6H_5$ , substituted phenyl groups,

$-C_4F_9$ ,  $-OCF_2-CHF-CF_3$ ,  $-C_6F_{13}$ ,  $-O-CF_2-CHF_2$ ,

$-NH_2$ ,  $-N_3$ ,  $SCN$ ,  $-CH=CH_2$ ,  $-NH-CH_2-CH_2-NH_2$ ,

$-N-(CH_2-CH_2-NH_2)_2$ ,

$-OOC(CH_3)C=CH_2$ ,

$-OCH_2-CH(O)CH_2$ ,

$-NH-CO-N-CO-(CH_2)_5$ ,

$-NH-COO-CH_3$ ,  $-NH-COO-CH_2-CH_3$ ,  $-NH-(CH_2)_3Si(OR)_3$ ,

$-SH$  or

$-NR'R''R'''$ , wherein  $R' =$  alkyl or aryl;  $R'' = H$ ,

alkyl, or aryl; and  $R''' = H$ , alkyl, aryl, benzyl, or

$C_2H_4N(R''')_2$ , wherein  $R''' = H$ , or alkyl ;

h) Halogen organosilanes having the formula  $X_3Si(CH_2)_m-R'$ , wherein

$X = Cl$  or  $Br$ ,

$m = 0$  or  $1 - 20$ ,

$R' =$  methyl-, aryl,  $-C_6H_5$ , substituted phenyl groups

$-C_4F_9$ ,  $-OCF_2-CHF-CF_3$ ,  $-C_6F_{13}$ ,  $-O-CF_2-CHF_2$ ,

$-NH_2$ ,  $-N_3$ ,  $SCN$ ,  $-CH=CH_2$ ,  $-NH-CH_2-CH_2-NH_2$ ,

$-N-(CH_2-CH_2-NH_2)_2$ ,

$\text{-OOC (CH}_3\text{)C = CH}_2\text{,}$   
 $\text{-OCH}_2\text{-CH(O) CH}_2\text{,}$   
 $\text{-NH-CO-N-CO-(CH}_2\text{)}_5\text{,}$   
 $\text{-NH-COO-CH}_3\text{, -NH-COO-CH}_2\text{-CH}_3\text{, -NH-(CH}_2\text{)}_3\text{Si(OR)}_3\text{, or}$   
 $\text{-SH;}$

i) Halogen organosilanes having the formula  $(\text{R})\text{X}_2\text{Si(CH}_2\text{)}_m\text{-R'}$ , wherein

$\text{X = Cl or Br,}$

$\text{R = alkyl such as methyl-, ethyl-, or propyl-,}$

$\text{m = 0 or 1 - 20, and}$

$\text{R' = methyl-, aryl-, -C}_6\text{H}_5\text{, substituted phenyl groups,}$

$\text{-C}_4\text{F}_9\text{, -OCF}_2\text{-CHF-CF}_3\text{, -C}_6\text{F}_{13}\text{, -O-CF}_2\text{-CHF}_2\text{,}$

$\text{-NH}_2\text{, -N}_3\text{, SCN, -CH=CH}_2\text{, -NH-CH}_2\text{-CH}_2\text{-NH}_2\text{,}$

$\text{-N-(CH}_2\text{-CH}_2\text{-NH}_2\text{)}_2\text{,}$

$\text{-OOC (CH}_3\text{)C = CH}_2\text{,}$

$\text{-OCH}_2\text{-CH(O) CH}_2\text{,}$

$\text{-NH-CO-N-CO-(CH}_2\text{)}_5\text{,}$

$\text{-NH-COO-CH}_3\text{, -NH-COO-CH}_2\text{-CH}_3\text{,}$

$\text{-NH-(CH}_2\text{)}_3\text{Si(OR)}_3\text{ or}$

$\text{-SH;}$

(j) Halogen organosilanes having the formula  $(\text{R})_2\text{X Si(CH}_2\text{)}_m\text{-R'}$ , wherein

X = Cl or Br,

R = alkyl,

m = 0 or 1 – 20, and

R' = methyl-, aryl-, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, substituted phenyl groups,

-C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>9</sub>, -OCF<sub>2</sub>-CHF-CF<sub>3</sub>, -C<sub>6</sub>F<sub>13</sub>, -O-CF<sub>2</sub>-CHF<sub>2</sub>,

-NH<sub>2</sub>, -N<sub>3</sub>, SCN, -CH=CH<sub>2</sub>, -NH-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>-NH<sub>2</sub>,

-N-(CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>-NH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>,

-OOC (CH<sub>3</sub>)C = CH<sub>2</sub>,

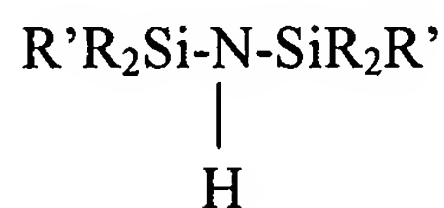
-OCH<sub>2</sub>-CH(O) CH<sub>2</sub>,

-NH-CO-N-CO-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>5</sub>,

-NH-COO-CH<sub>3</sub>, -NH-COO-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>, -NH-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Si(OR)<sub>3</sub> or

-SH;

(k) Silazanes having the formula

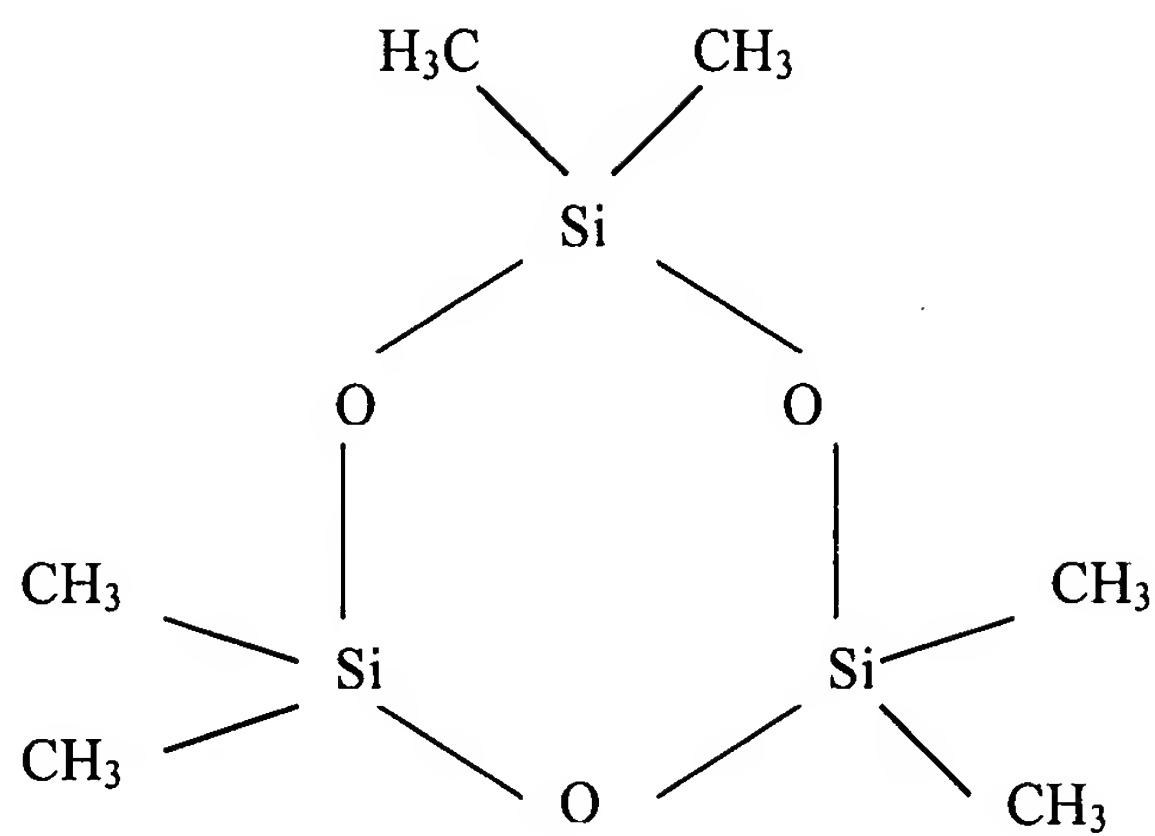


wherein R = alkyl, and

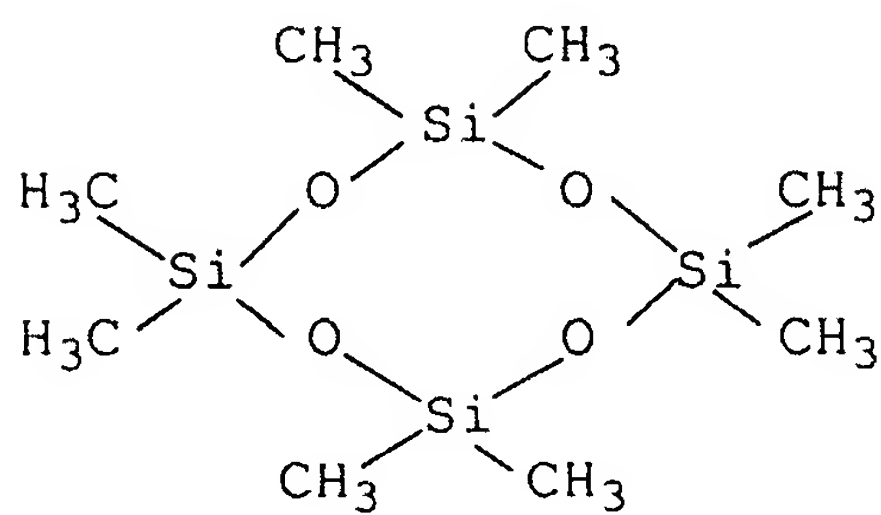
R' = alkyl or vinyl; or

(l) Cyclic polysiloxanes D 3, D 4 or D 5,

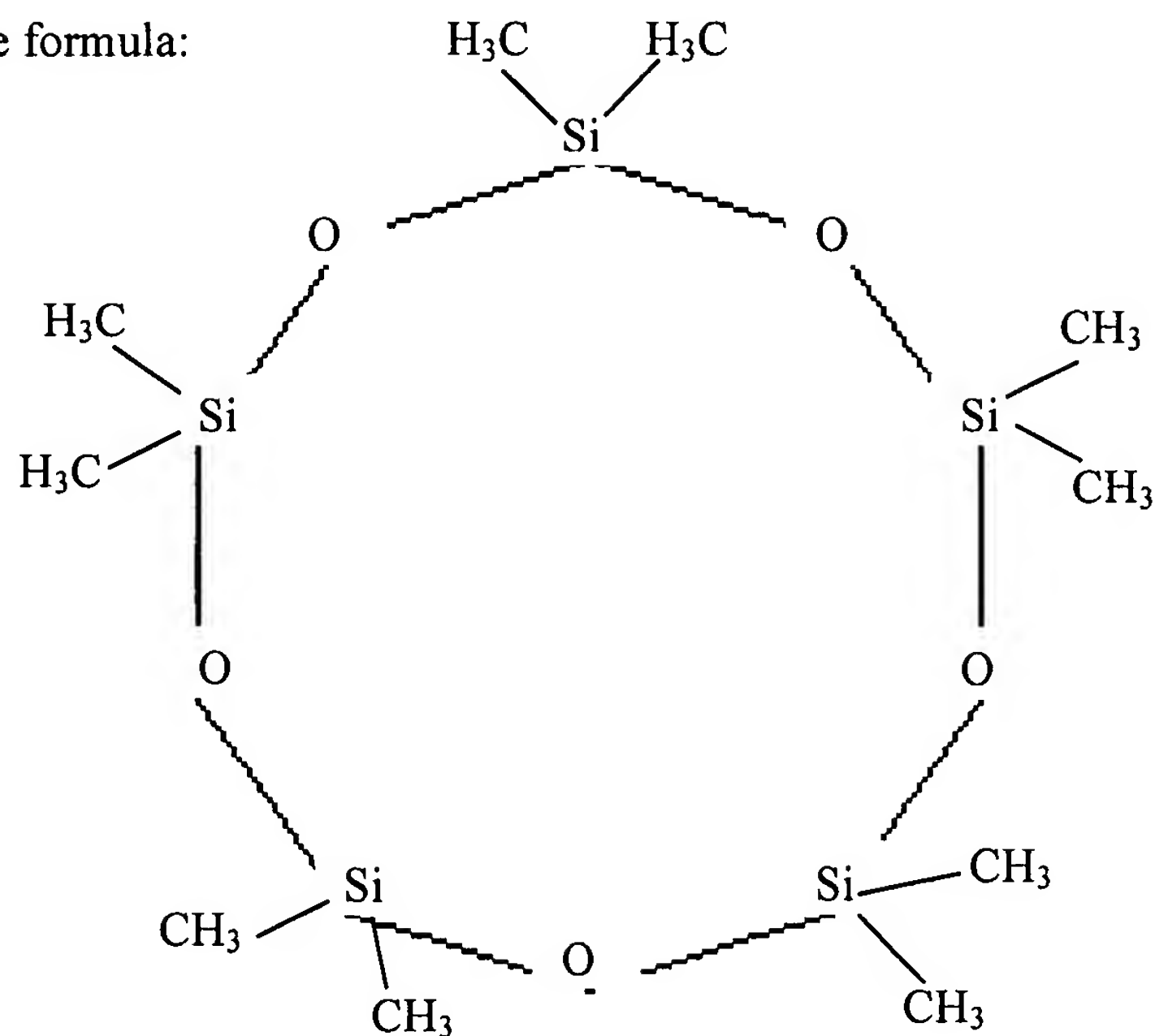
where 1) D3 has the formula:



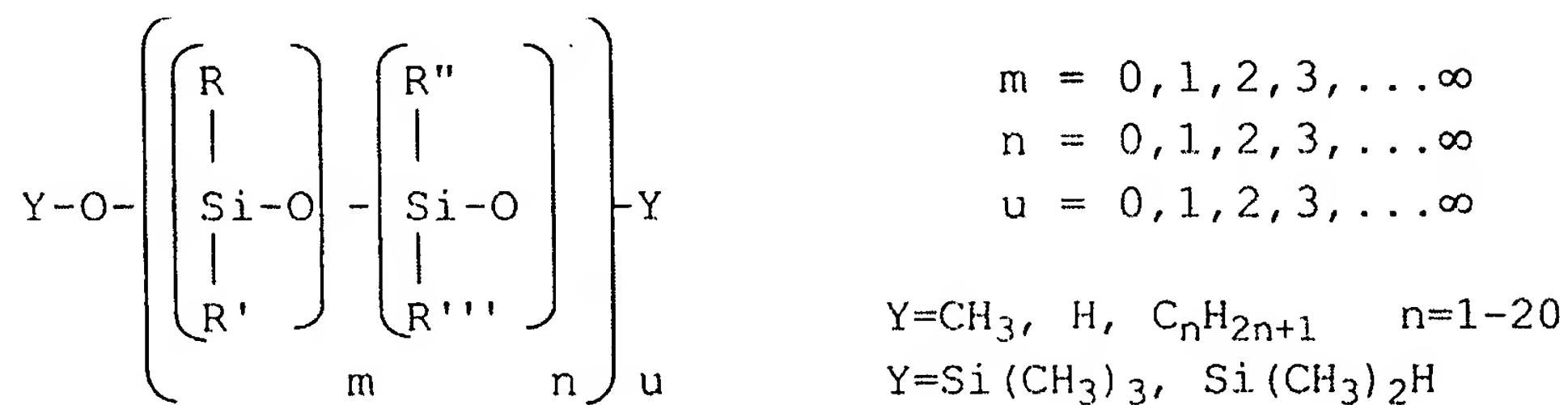
2) D4 has the formula:



and 3) D5 has the formula:



m) Polysiloxanes or silicone oils having any one of the formula



,  $Si(CH_3)_2OH$ ,  $Si(CH_3)_2(OCH_3)$  or

$Si(CH_3)_2(C_nH_{2n+1})$ , wherein  $n=1-20$ ,

wherein,

$R = \text{alkyl, aryl, } (CH_2)_n-NH_2 \text{ or } H,$

$R' = \text{alkyl, aryl, } (CH_2)_n-NH_2 \text{ or } H,$



$R'' = \text{alkyl, aryl, } (CH_2)_n\text{-NH}_2 \text{ or H,}$

$R''' = \text{alkyl, aryl, } (CH_2)_n\text{-NH}_2 \text{ or H.}$

**Claim 4** (Currently amended): A method of producing aerosol doped, surface-modified pyrogenically produced oxides, comprising placing aerosol doped-pyrogenically produced oxides, where the BET surface is between 40 and 217 m<sup>2</sup>/g and the dopant is homogeneously distributed within the pyrogenically produced oxide, in a suitable mixing container, spraying the oxides with water and/or acid and then spraying the oxides under intensive mixing with the surface-modification reagent or a mixture of several surface-modification reagents under conditions where oxygen is excluded, to form the aerosol doped, surface-modified, pyrogenically produced oxides, wherein the dopants are selected from cerium, aluminum, potassium, or salts or oxides thereof, wherein the oxides are selected from the group consisting of SiO<sub>2</sub>, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, TiO<sub>2</sub>, B<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, ZrO<sub>2</sub>, In<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, ZnO, Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Nb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, V<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, WO<sub>3</sub>, SnO<sub>2</sub> and GeO<sub>2</sub>, wherein the surface-modification reagent or a mixture of several surface-modification reagents are selected from the following groups:

a) Organosilanes having either formula  $(RO)_3Si(C_nH_{2n+1})$  or  $(RO)_3Si(C_nH_{2n-1})$ , wherein

R = alkyl, and

n = 1 – 20;

b) Organosilanes having either formula  $R'_x(RO)_ySi(C_nH_{2n+1})$  or  $(RO)_3Si(C_nH_{2n+1})$ ,

wherein

R = alkyl,

R' = alkyl,

R' = cycloalkyl

n = 1 – 20,

x+y = 3,

x = 1 or 2, and

y = 1 or 2;

c) Halogen organosilanes having either formula  $X_3 Si(C_nH_{2n+1})$  or  $X_3 Si(C_nH_{2n-1})$ ,

wherein

X = Cl or Br, and

n = 1 – 20;

d) Halogen organosilanes having either formula  $X_2 (R') Si(C_nH_{2n+1})$  or

$X_2 (R') Si(C_nH_{2n-1})$  , wherein

X = Cl or Br

R' = alkyl or cycloalkyl, and

n = 1 – 20;

e) Halogen organosilanes having formula  $X (R')_2 Si(C_nH_{2n+1})$  or

$X (R')_2 Si(C_nH_{2n-1})$  , wherein

X = Cl or Br;

R' = alkyl or cycloalkyl, and

n = 1 – 20;

f) Organosilanes having the formula  $(\text{RO})_3\text{Si}(\text{CH}_2)_m\text{-R}'$

R = alkyl,

m = 0 or 1-20, and

R' = methyl-, aryl-,  $\text{-C}_6\text{H}_5$ , substituted phenyl groups,

$\text{-C}_4\text{F}_9$ ,  $\text{OCF}_2\text{-CHF-CF}_3$ ,  $\text{-C}_6\text{F}_{13}$ ,  $\text{-O-CF}_2\text{-CHF}_2$ ,

$\text{-NH}_2$ ,  $\text{=N}_3$ ,  $\text{-SCN}$ ,  $\text{-CH=CH}_2$ ,  $\text{-NH-CH}_2\text{-CH}_2\text{-NH}_2$ ,

$\text{-N-(CH}_2\text{-CH}_2\text{-CH}_2\text{NH}_2)_2$ ,

$\text{-OOC(CH}_3\text{)C=CH}_2$ ,

$\text{-OCH}_2\text{-CH(O)CH}_2$ ,

$\text{-NH-CO-N-CO-(CH}_2\text{)}_5$ ,

$\text{-NH-COO-CH}_3$ ,  $\text{-NH-COO-CH}_2\text{-CH}_3$ ,  $\text{-NH-(CH}_2\text{)}_3\text{Si(OR)}_3$ ,

$\text{-SH}$  or

$\text{-NR'R''R'''}$ , wherein R' = alkyl, or aryl; R'' = H, alkyl, aryl; and R''' = H, alkyl, aryl,

benzyl, or  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{N(R''''})_2$ , wherein R'''' = H, or alkyl;

g) Organosilanes having the formula  $(\text{R}'')_x(\text{RO})_y\text{Si}(\text{CH}_2)_m\text{-R}'$ , wherein

R'' = alkyl or cycloalkyl,

x+y = 2,

x = 1 or 2,

$y = 1$  or  $2$ ,

$m = 0$  or  $1$  to  $20$ , and

$R' =$  methyl-, aryl,  $-C_6H_5$ , substituted phenyl groups,

$-C_4F_9$ ,  $-OCF_2-CHF-CF_3$ ,  $-C_6F_{13}$ ,  $-O-CF_2-CHF_2$ ,

$-NH_2$ ,  $-N_3$ ,  $SCN$ ,  $-CH=CH_2$ ,  $-NH-CH_2-CH_2-NH_2$ ,

$-N-(CH_2-CH_2-NH_2)_2$ ,

$-OOC(CH_3)C=CH_2$ ,

$-OCH_2-CH(O)CH_2$ ,

$-NH-CO-N-CO-(CH_2)_5$ ,

$-NH-COO-CH_3$ ,  $-NH-COO-CH_2-CH_3$ ,  $-NH-(CH_2)_3Si(OR)_3$ ,

$-SH$  or

$-NR'R''R'''$ , wherein  $R' =$  alkyl or aryl;  $R'' = H$ ,

alkyl, or aryl; and  $R''' = H$ , alkyl, aryl, benzyl, or

$C_2H_4N(R''')_2$ , wherein  $R''' = H$ , or alkyl ;

h) Halogen organosilanes having the formula  $X_3Si(CH_2)_m-R'$ , wherein

$X = Cl$  or  $Br$ ,

$m = 0$  or  $1 - 20$ ,

$R' =$  methyl-, aryl,  $-C_6H_5$ , substituted phenyl groups

$-C_4F_9$ ,  $-OCF_2-CHF-CF_3$ ,  $-C_6F_{13}$ ,  $-O-CF_2-CHF_2$ ,

$-NH_2$ ,  $-N_3$ ,  $SCN$ ,  $-CH=CH_2$ ,  $-NH-CH_2-CH_2-NH_2$ ,

$-N-(CH_2-CH_2-NH_2)_2$ ,

$\text{-OOC (CH}_3\text{)C = CH}_2\text{,}$   
 $\text{-OCH}_2\text{-CH(O) CH}_2\text{,}$   
 $\text{-NH-CO-N-CO-(CH}_2\text{)}_5\text{,}$   
 $\text{-NH-COO-CH}_3\text{, -NH-COO-CH}_2\text{-CH}_3\text{, -NH-(CH}_2\text{)}_3\text{Si(OR)}_3\text{, or}$   
 $\text{-SH;}$

i) Halogen organosilanes having the formula  $(\text{R})\text{X}_2\text{Si(CH}_2\text{)}_m\text{-R'}$ , wherein

$\text{X = Cl or Br,}$

$\text{R = alkyl such as methyl-, ethyl-, or propyl-,}$

$\text{m = 0 or 1 - 20, and}$

$\text{R' = methyl-, aryl-, -C}_6\text{H}_5\text{, substituted phenyl groups,}$

$\text{-C}_4\text{F}_9\text{, -OCF}_2\text{-CHF-CF}_3\text{, -C}_6\text{F}_{13}\text{, -O-CF}_2\text{-CHF}_2\text{,}$

$\text{-NH}_2\text{, -N}_3\text{, SCN, -CH=CH}_2\text{, -NH-CH}_2\text{-CH}_2\text{-NH}_2\text{,}$

$\text{-N-(CH}_2\text{-CH}_2\text{-NH}_2\text{)}_2\text{,}$

$\text{-OOC (CH}_3\text{)C = CH}_2\text{,}$

$\text{-OCH}_2\text{-CH(O) CH}_2\text{,}$

$\text{-NH-CO-N-CO-(CH}_2\text{)}_5\text{,}$

$\text{-NH-COO-CH}_3\text{, -NH-COO-CH}_2\text{-CH}_3\text{,}$

$\text{-NH-(CH}_2\text{)}_3\text{Si(OR)}_3\text{ or}$

$\text{-SH;}$

(j) Halogen organosilanes having the formula  $(\text{R})_2\text{X Si(CH}_2\text{)}_m\text{-R'}$ , wherein

X = Cl or Br,

R = alkyl,

m = 0 or 1 – 20, and

R' = methyl-, aryl-, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, substituted phenyl groups,

-C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>9</sub>, -OCF<sub>2</sub>-CHF-CF<sub>3</sub>, -C<sub>6</sub>F<sub>13</sub>, -O-CF<sub>2</sub>-CHF<sub>2</sub>,

-NH<sub>2</sub>, -N<sub>3</sub>, SCN, -CH=CH<sub>2</sub>, -NH-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>-NH<sub>2</sub>,

-N-(CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>-NH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>,

-OOC (CH<sub>3</sub>)C = CH<sub>2</sub>,

-OCH<sub>2</sub>-CH(O) CH<sub>2</sub>,

-NH-CO-N-CO-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>5</sub>,

-NH-COO-CH<sub>3</sub>, -NH-COO-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>, -NH-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Si(OR)<sub>3</sub> or

-SH;

(k) Silazanes having the formula



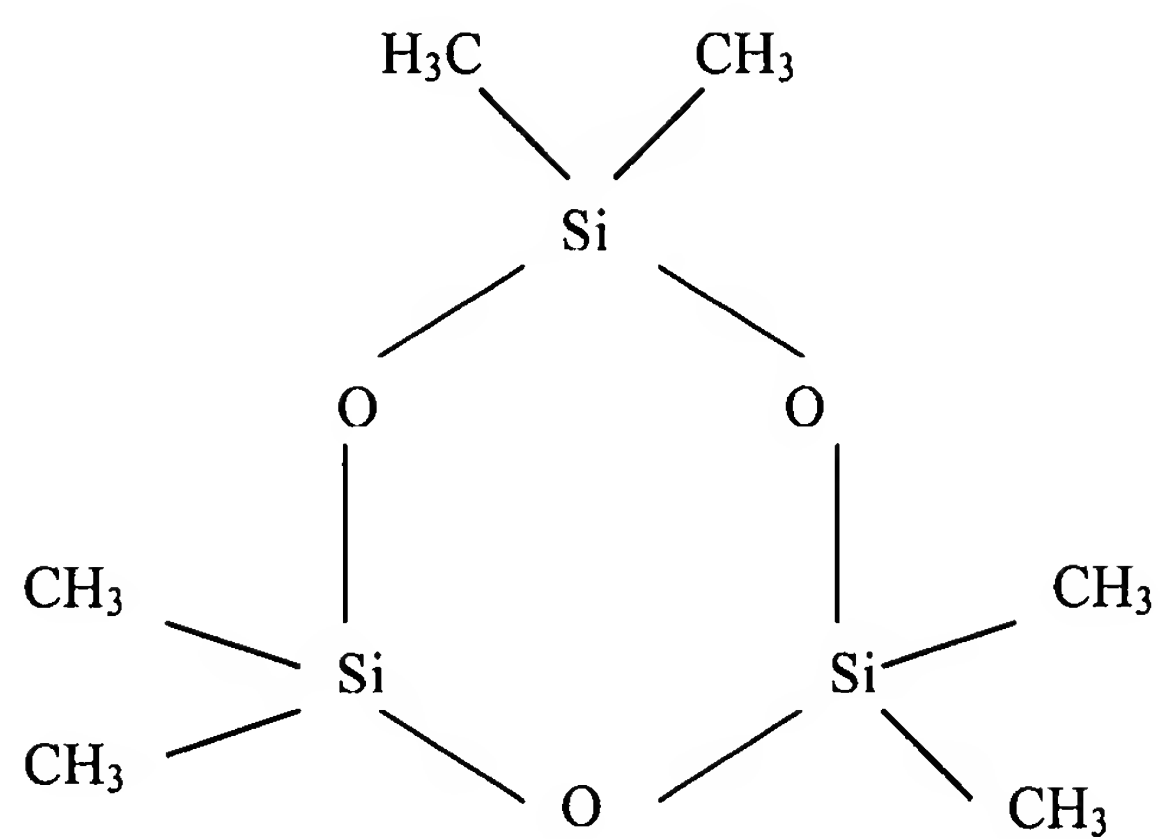
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wherein R = alkyl, and

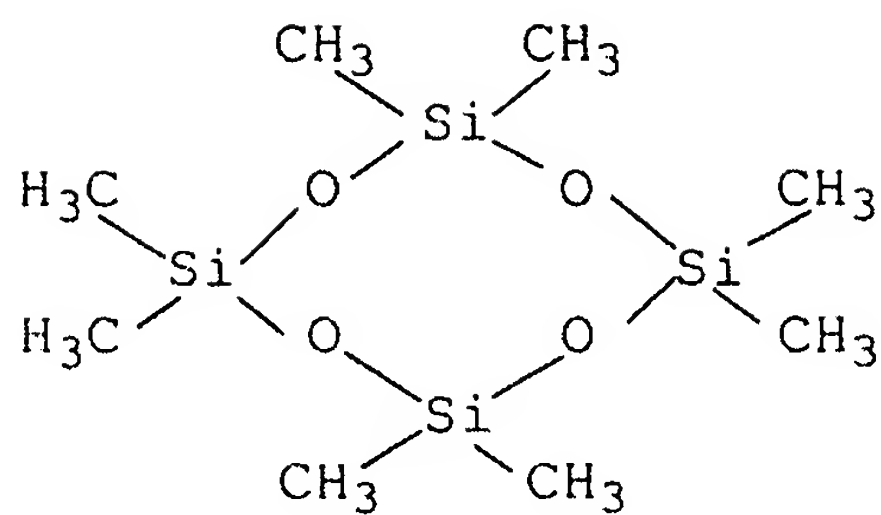
R' = alkyl or vinyl; or

(l) Cyclic polysiloxanes D 3, D 4 or D 5,

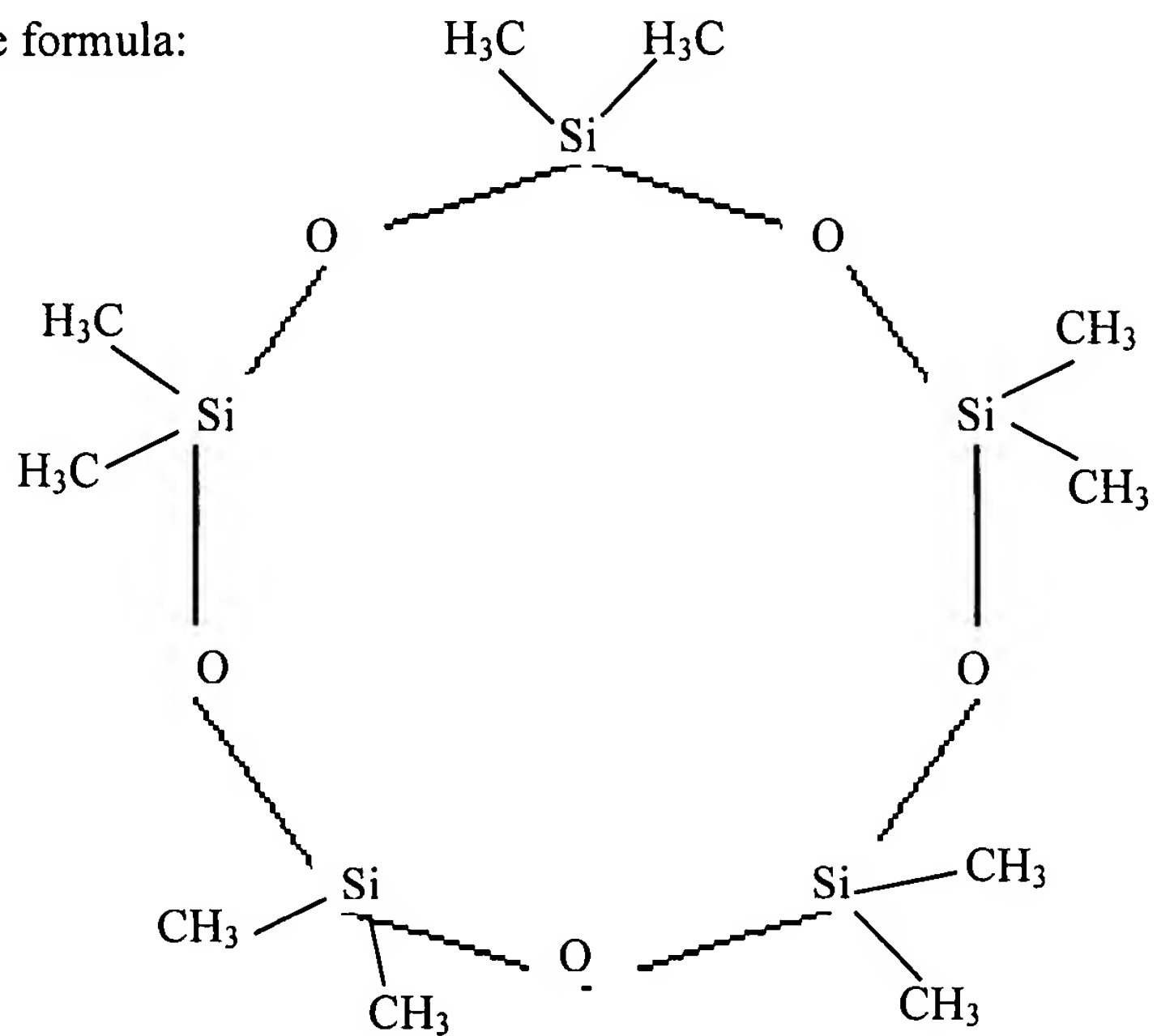
where 1) D3 has the formula:



2) D4 has the formula:

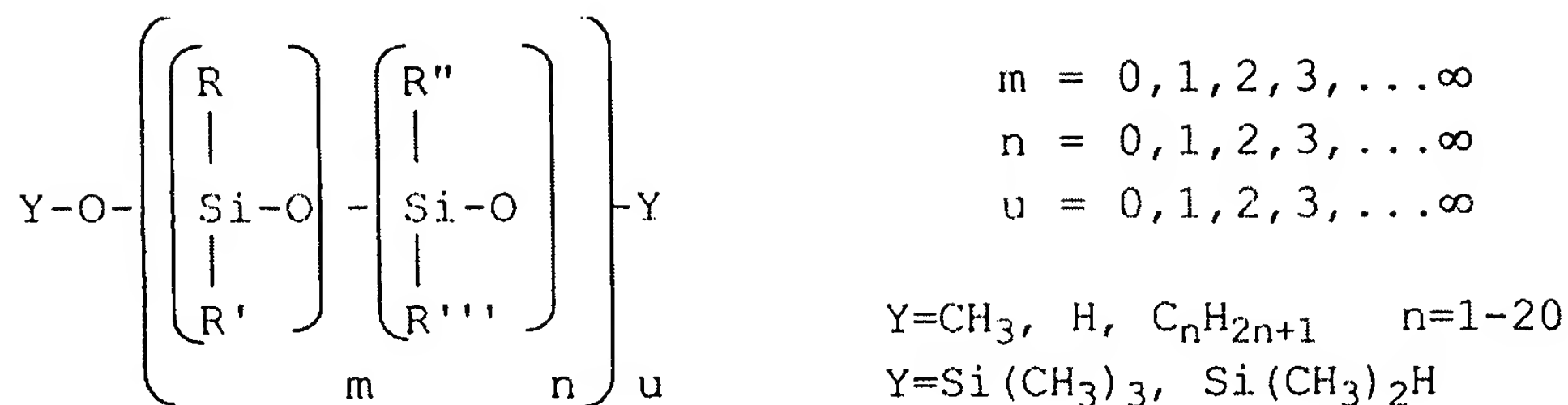


and 3) D5 has the formula:



m) Polysiloxanes or silicone oils having any one of the formula





, Si(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>OH, Si(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (OCH<sub>3</sub>) or

Si(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (C<sub>n</sub>H<sub>2n+1</sub>), wherein n=1-20,

wherein,

R = alkyl, aryl, (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-NH<sub>2</sub> or H,

R' = alkyl, aryl, (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-NH<sub>2</sub> or H,

R'' = alkyl, aryl, (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-NH<sub>2</sub> or H,

R''' = alkyl, aryl, (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-NH<sub>2</sub> or H.

Claims 5 and 6 (Cancelled).

**Claim 7** (Currently amended) The method of claim 4 further comprising re-mixing the surface modification agent(s) and the aerosol doped, surface-modified, pyrogenically produced oxides for 15 to 30 minutes and tempering at a temperature of 100 to 400 °C for a period of 1 to 6 hours.

**Claim 8** (Previously presented) The surface-modified, pyrogenically produced oxides according to claim 3 wherein the cyclic polysiloxanes is D 4.

Claims 9 -12 (Cancelled)

Claim 13 (New) The surface-modified, pyrogenically produced oxides according to claim 3 wherein the dopant is aluminum oxide and the pyrogenically produce oxide is silica.

Claim 14 (New) The method according to claim 4 wherein the dopant is aluminum oxide and the pyrogenically produce oxide is silica.